

Thursday, January 5, 1961

## HIGHLIGHTS

Senate debated question of consideration of rules change on cloture.

## Senate

*Chamber Action**Routine Proceedings, pages 130-220*

**Bills Introduced:** 179 bills and 26 resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 1-179; S.J. Res. 1-20; S. Con. Res. 2; and S. Res. 15-19. Pages 138-143

**Report Filed:** Part 2 of S. Rept. 1948 (86th Cong., 2d sess.) of Select Committee on Small Business on "Government Competition With Business: Refrigerated Warehousing" (by unanimous consent dated December 31, 1960). Page 130

**Bill Referred:** One House-passed bill was referred to appropriate committee. Page 130

**Inaugural Committee:** H. Con. Res. 1, to continue the joint committee to arrange for the inauguration of the President-elect and the Vice-President-elect on January 20, 1961, was adopted. Page 220

**Senate Rules:** At 2 p.m., the morning hour having expired, Presiding Officer laid down and Senate debated Humphrey motion to resume consideration of modified S. Res. 4, to amend rule XXII of the Standing Rules of Senate by permitting cloture on vote of three-fifths

(rather than two-thirds) of Senators present and voting. Senate then adopted Mansfield motion to consider modified S. Res. 4.

Pending question at adjournment remained the modified Humphrey amendment (in nature of a substitute) to permit cloture by majority vote of Senators chosen and sworn (constitutional majority). Pages 221-228, 231

**Adjournment:** Adjourned at 4:10 p.m.

*Committee Meetings*

## INVESTIGATIONS—MSTS

**Committee on Government Operations:** The Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations began hearings concerning alleged irregularities in the Military Sea Transportation Service in Brooklyn, N.Y., with especial attention to existing relations between civilian employees of MSTS and certain contractors engaged in the repair of ships. Witnesses heard were Rear Adm. James Dempsey, Joseph H. Bennett, a former inspector, Garrison C. Tyler, Maintenance and Repair Department, and William S. Mackie, ship operations and maintenance specialist, all of the MSTS, Brooklyn.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

## House of Representatives

*Chamber Action*

The House was not in session today. Its next meeting will be held on Friday, January 6, at 12 o'clock noon.

*Committee Meetings*

No committee meetings were held.

## HIGHLIGHTS

Both Houses met in joint session to count electoral votes.  
Senate debated rules change on cloture.

## Senate

*Chamber Action**Routine Proceedings, pages 259-278*

**Bills Introduced:** 46 bills and 7 resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 180-225; S.J. Res. 21-22; S. Con. Res. 3; and S. Res. 20-23. Pages 261-263

**Electoral Count:** Senate met in joint session with the House, pursuant to provisions of S. Con. Res. 1, providing for a joint session of the House and Senate in

the Hall of the House on Friday, January 6, 1961, at 1 p.m., for the opening and counting of the electoral ballots of the several States for the election of the President and Vice President (for tabulation of votes see House Chamber).

After the Senate had returned to its Chamber Senator Hayden, one of the tellers on the part of the Senate appointed to count the electoral votes, announced the result of the count. Pages 277-278

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